

POLITICS



The latest WND.com/Clout Research survey found that 92.6 percent of those who consider themselves to be conservative believe the country is on the wrong track, and among liberals, 90.0 percent said the same. When asked about the American economy, almost 80 percent

described it as "very fragile" or "somewhat fragile." Most Americans don't have much trust in their government, says a new poll and finds only 19 percent of Americans trust the government "always or most of the time." Pew says trust levels are among the lowest in surveys of the past 50 years. The influence of money on politics may add to the distrust of government, says Pew. More than three-quarters of those polled say money "has a greater influence on politics and elected officials today than in the past." (Matthew 24:12 No one can possibly fail to see the lawlessness that pervades our society from the highest levels of government to the lowliest man on the totem poll in the great cities. Lawlessness screams out at us in every news report. ) "And because of the increase of lawlessness, the love of many will grow cold." It shakes the very foundation of the state when it is exposed in the lives of the heads of government. A lawless man is not someone who is ignorant of the law, or even someone who breaks the law whose authority he acknowledges. But he is a man who holds the law of God in contempt. He "owns" no law. He has made up his mind to do as he pleases, to do "his own thing," as the modern jargon puts it.

The lawless man, or woman, openly practices the very thing which the law of God forbids - as normal, acceptable, right behavior!

ECONOMICS

Most economies around the world continue to slow. This is important because the economic strength or weakness in a region impacts the job market, the availability of credit, the price of consumer goods and services, wages, and a host of other items. When an economy weakens, suffering tends to increase. Economic expansion or contraction is measured by GDP or Gross Domestic Product. When an economy is growing, jobs are more plentiful and people's standard of living tends to improve. Conversely, when an economy is contracting, many companies cut staff to reduce expenses, which pushes unemployment higher. At the present time, the global economy is slowing down. "And I heard a voice from among the four living beings say, "A loaf of wheat bread or three loaves of barley will cost a day's pay." Rev. 6:6

WAR

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. -- 2 Timothy 3:1 "And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that you be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet." Matt. 24:6 "For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places." Matt. 24:7 Civil unrest and terrorism continues to globally escalate.



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Depending on where you live will depend on how these elements will affect you. It will depend upon how these elements align together that can intensify each storm. These storms will not be short live but rather they will come in waves.

What Can Cause These Elements To Work Against Us?



Remember sin separates us from God. Look at your hands, now place one hand over the other hand. Now picture God's hand is above and the other hand is man and sin. As lawlessness and sin increases God's hand will begin to separate His protective covering over us. The separation of God's protection gives this space where the enemy can rule. As sin begins to rise the greater the separation from God becomes. Some call this separation of God by the removing of His hand and protection over us (Judgement). Judgement simply means the removal of God's hand and in return it allows the enemies of darkness legal right to attack the nations and God's people. "For our wrestling is not

against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world's rulers of this darkness, and against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places." (Ephesians 6:12) When the will of humanity is to live in disobedience against God's will then God will allow humanity to have what they desire. The Rulers, Powers and Principalities of darkness will then have an open playing field to wreak havoc. As this separation increases between God and us so will the elements of the storms increase. The world will seem as if everything is upside down and good is called evil and evil is called good. "Ah, you who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter! Ah, you who are wise in your own eyes, and shrewd in your own sight!" (Isaiah 5:20-21) Satan is still the god of this world. "Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They don't understand this message about the glory of Christ, Who is the exact likeness of God." (2 Corinthians 4:4) This is not to say that he rules the world completely; God is still sovereign. But it does mean that God, in His infinite wisdom, has allowed Satan to operate in this world within the boundaries God has set for him.

### Why Are These Storms Coming To America?



In this nation Jesus the Cross on Calvary is no longer an absolute. The absolutes of God's Word, Holiness and His Righteous, are truly evaporating from the moral fabric of this great country. Christianity is no longer seen as the back bone of this nation. Christians were once the majority but now we are in the minority.

The leaders of this country have set a new course and new direction for this nation and it does not include Christ Jesus at the helm. **Christ is the Light of the World** and when a nation removes that Light how great the darkness will become. (Matthew 6:22-24) **"The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! "No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."** Christianity has been the plumb line at all levels of life in this country. Israel was a people chosen by God to be a nation unto Himself. The United States on the other hand was founded by our forefathers to be a nation for God. Other nations may use Christian principles to guide their nation but our D.N.A. as a nation is Jesus Christ.

### GEOPHYSICS



**Geophysical observations are fundamental to our understanding of the Earth and how it works for and against us. Earthquakes and volcanic eruptions, on the other hand, have the ability destroy on a terrible scale. Geophysics is also fundamental to the needs**

**of society – it is essential for exploring for energy, water, and mineral resources, monitoring environmental impact and change and assessing natural and manmade hazards.** Across America, abnormally devastating weather—deadlier storms, multi-state flooding, excessive drought, and harder-to-control wildfires—is wreaking havoc on the economy and lives of millions of people. Those who survive must pick up the pieces of shattered lives—homes destroyed or ruined—businesses destroyed—livelihoods gone—loved ones dying, with some never found. In an instant, people can lose everything, including their lives! **"We have recently experienced a period that has had one of the highest rates of great earthquakes ever recorded,"** said lead study author Tom Parsons, a geophysicist with the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in California." It seems that earthquakes and volcanic activity is on the rise and



according to many scientific experts we can expect more in the near future. (Luke 21:11) **"And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven."** Matthew 24:8 **"All these are the beginning of sorrows."** (Birth Pangs) In the

Greek language this, **"beginning of sorrows"** is referred to as **"birth pangs."** In other words we'd see an increase of these various signs of the times & with more intensity. Extreme weather and natural disasters have always been with us but, like other signs of the times events these extreme birth pangs are increasing in intensity and frequency.

### RELIGION

What is the fastest growing religion in the United States? If you said Christianity, you would be way off. In fact, the most recent numbers show that Christianity is in a serious state of decline in America. If you said Islam, you are much closer to a correct answer. Islam is the fastest growing major religion in the United States. But there is a faith that is growing even faster than Islam. It is called Wicca, and it is currently growing at an astounding pace. According to Wikipedia, Wicca **"is a modern pagan, witchcraft religion"**. It has been estimated that the number of Americans that are Wiccans is doubling every 30 months, and at this point there are more than 200,000 registered witches and approximately 8 million unregistered practitioners of Wicca. **"There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, or one who practices witchcraft, or a soothsayer, or one who interprets omens, or a sorcerer, or one who conjures spells, or a medium, or a spiritism, or one who calls up the dead. For all who do these things are an abomination to the LORD..."** (Deuteronomy 18:10-12)

### The Decline of Christianity

On the other hand Christianity in America is declining and the country is becoming more secular, according to a new report from the respected Pew Research Center. Allowing for margins of error, Pew says, **"it appears that the number of Christian adults in the US has shrunk by somewhere between 2.8 million and 7.8 million."** The most startling figure, however, is the increase in 'nones' – a rise of 19 million since 2007. The new survey finds that the atheist and agnostic share of the **"nones"** has grown to 31%. Those identifying as **"nothing in particular"** and describing religion as unimportant in their lives continue to account for 39% of all **"nones."** **"For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. So they will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths..."** (2 Timothy 4:3-4)